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**UTILITY
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Attorney Docket No.	030469
First Inventor	Jerry Bodak
Title	POOL SKIMMER ASSEMBLY
Express Mail Label No.	EV 109383248 US

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

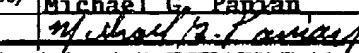
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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Examiner Name	
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1. BASIC FILING FEE

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Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)		
1001 750	2001 375	Utility filing fee	385
1002 330	2002 165	Design filing fee	
1003 520	2003 260	Plant filing fee	
1004 750	2004 375	Reissue filing fee	
1005 180	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)		385.00	

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	20	-20** =	X	=	Fee Paid
Independent Claims	3	-3** =	X	=	
Multiple Dependent					

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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 280	2203 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month	
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1253 930	2253 465	Extension for reply within third month	
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1453 1,300	2453 650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
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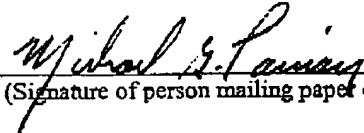
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